RBTT employees play Santa

On Friday morning, the staff of the Royal Bank of Trinidad and Tobago had huge grins on their faces as they loaded several trucks with baskets of food that will provide a traditional holiday dinner for Aruba's less fortunate. Sometimes it took two to carry the hampers laden with comestibles that have been collected to the waiting vehicles that then made their rounds around the island delivering them to families specified by four foundations that regularly assist the underprivileged.

As Robert Mons, Marketing Manager for RBTT pointed out "This was not a campaign by the RBTT management, as they have made their substantial holiday donations to the four organizations, Meals on Wheels, ASO, The Noord Assistance Group, and Pan den Man pa Muchanan (providing proper breakfasts for children at school,) this is an initiative by the employees themselves. They organized it, they donated and collected, and then packaged all the goods, and the employee representatives will take the gift baskets to the families."

A total of seventy-five baskets filled with at least a week's worth of food for a family of four plus the necessities for a special holiday meal were loaded and ready to go, when the final, really important cartons of goods were carried out. These were boxes full of toys and cuddly creatures for all the children, as the employees understand that youngsters need a little more besides turkey to enjoy the holiday. Friday morning was a wonderful reminder that part of the spirit of the Christmas holiday is the joy of giving, and this was evident on the faces of all the RBTT employees. Dressed in their Santa hats, as they looked over their handiwork, one could see the pleasure and satisfaction obtained for their efforts, knowing they have made a contribution that will be truly appreciated.